

REMARKS

Claims 2-8, 10-24, 27 and 30 are pending in the present application. Claims 9 and 15, 18, 20-28, and 30 have been rejected, with all other claims having been indicated as being allowable. In this amendment all non-allowed claims are canceled or combined with allowable claims.

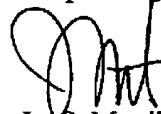
Claims 9, 15, 18, 10-27 and 30 have been rejected in view of prior art. While Applicant reserves the right to file a continuation prosecuting claims of the scope of these rejected claims, all non-allowed claims have now been canceled or combined with allowable claims.

In particular claim 9 is canceled herein. Claims 15 and 18 are amended so as to depend from a claim that the Examiner has indicated is allowable. Therefore, claims 15 and 18 are now allowable.

Claim 20 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 29, which the Examiner has indicated is allowable. As a result, claims 25, 26, 28 and 29 are canceled (since these limitations are now added to claim 20). In addition, claims 23, 27 and 30 are amended to conform with the amended claim 20.

Applicant respectfully submits that no new issues are raised by this amendment. Since the Examiner has indicated that each of the now pending claims is allowable, the application should be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or other correspondence regarding this application, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact Applicant's attorney at the below listed telephone number and address. No fee is believed due in connection with this filing. However, should one be deemed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1065.

Respectfully submitted,



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